

## REMARKS

The present amendment reduces the number of claims in order to economize on the filing fees. Applicants intend to submit a second preliminary amendment with substitute specification that conforms to 37 C.F.R. § 1.77(b) and reformats the claims to conform to U.S. practice. A marked-up copy of the original specification will also be provided at that time for the convenience of the Examiner.

The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the Examiner's convenience should any additional information be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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